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SUBJECT: CAB CHAIRMAN REQUEST FOR VISA TO VISIT PRC

1. WE HAVE RECEIVED A LETTER ADDRESSED TO MR. BRUCE FROM ROBERT D. TIMM, CHAIRMAN OF THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD (CAB). THE LETTER IS BRIEF AND REQUIRES NO SPECIFIC ACTION ON OUR PART, BUT IT ENCLOSES COPIES OF TWO LETTERS WHICH CHAIRMAN TIMM HAS SENT TO PRC AUTHORITIES.

2. THE FIRST LETTER, DATED FEBRUARY 27, 1974 WAS SENT (INCORRECTLY) TO KUANG JEN-NUNG, WHO WAS REPLACED LAST SUMMER BY MA JEN-HUI AS DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE CIVIL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION OF CHINA (CAAC). IN THE LETTER, CHAIRMAN TIMM REQUESTS AN INVITATION TO CHINA TO MEET WITH THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CAAC AND TO OBSERVE CIVIL AVIATION FACILITIES IN CHINA. CHAIRMAN TIMM ALSO INDICATES THAT HE AND THE DIRECTOR GENERAL COULD QTE DETERMINE IF THERE IS A BASIS FOR RECOMMENDING TO OUR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS THAT THE FORMAL NEGOTIATION OF EXCHANGE OF AIR TRANSPORT RIGHTS BE COMMENCED UNQTE. THE SECOND LETTER DATED MARCH 1, 1974 IS ADDRESSED TO THE "CHINA INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AGENCY" AND FORMALLY REQUESTS A VISA FOR THE PURPOSE OF MEETING WITH THE CAAC DIRECTOR GENERAL.

4. THIS IS THE FIRST WE HAVE HEARD OF THIS INITIATIVE, AND WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION THE DEPARTMENT CAN
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